



STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY  
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
NEW JERSEY STATE  
BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF THE  
LICENSE OF

JOAN LANGLOIS, L.P.N.

License # ~~NP 052244700~~

*NP 05221700*  
TO PRACTICE NURSING IN THE  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Administrative Action

FINAL ORDER  
OF DISCIPLINE

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Nursing ("the Board") upon receipt of information which the Board has reviewed and on which the following findings of fact and conclusions of law are made:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent is a licensed practical nurse in the State of New Jersey, and has been a licensee at all times relevant hereto.
2. On or about March 6, 2013, respondent was asked to provide documentation, in the form of certificates of completion, of all continuing education earned during the renewal period of June 1, 2010 to May 31, 2012.

3. Respondent has provided documentation of completion of thirty (30) contact hours of nursing continuing education, however all of the continuing education was completed subsequent to May 31, 2012.

4. On her renewal application on May 30, 2012, respondent indicated that by May 31, 2012 she would have completed all required continuing education credits.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Respondent's failure to document timely completion of continuing education requirements for the 2010-2012 renewal period constitutes a violation of N.J.S.A. 13:37-5.3, subjecting respondent to sanctions pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e) and (h).

2. Respondent's indication on her 2012 renewal application that she would have completed all continuing education requirements by May 31, 2012 constitutes misrepresentation in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b), in that she knew or should have known that she was providing inaccurate information.

Based on the foregoing findings and conclusions, a Provisional Order of Discipline was entered on September 9, 2013, provisionally imposing a public reprimand and a \$250.00 civil penalty. A copy of the Order was served upon respondent's attorney by certified and regular mail. The Provisional Order was subject to finalization by the Board at 5:00 p.m. on the 30<sup>th</sup> business day following entry unless respondent requested a modification or dismissal of the stated Findings of Fact or Conclusions of Law by submitting a written request for modification or dismissal setting forth in writing any and all reasons why said findings and conclusions should be

modified or dismissed and submitting any and all documents or other written evidence supporting respondent's request for consideration and reasons therefor.

Although the certified mailing of the order was delivered on September 13, 2013, and the regular mailing was not returned, no response has been received to date. The Board determined that service had been effected. The Board further determined that inasmuch as no discrepancies had been raised with respect to the findings of fact and conclusions of law of the Provisional Order, additional proceedings were not necessary, and the Provisional Order should be made final.

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2013,

ORDERED that:

1. A public reprimand is hereby imposed for the violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b).
2. A civil penalty in the amount of \$250.00 is hereby imposed for the violation of N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.3. Payment shall be made within fifteen (15) days of receipt of this Order, in the form of a certified check or money order, made payable to the State of New Jersey, and sent to the attention of George Hebert, R.N., Executive Director, Board of Nursing, P.O. Box 45010, 124 Halsey Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Newark, NJ 07101.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING

By:

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